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Dear Editors:

Thank you very much for your careful reviewing and pointing out these problems in our submitted manuscript (MS: 1108078689107407). After receiving your letter, we have confirmed these problems and made changes according to your suggestions. Now I describe these changes point by point according to your request.

1) **Please confirm whether the use of human skeletal muscle biopsy to amplify mRNA was also approved by an Ethics committee and patient consent obtained, and include this information in the Methods section of the manuscript.**

   We feel very sorry for making this mistake. In fact all clinical samples we used in our experiment were approved by the Ethics Committee of Tangdu Hospital, Fourth Military Medical University. The patients had signed informed consent. In our previous manuscript we just mentioned this key point in RT-PCR part in the method section. Now we provide this information in the corresponding position (vector construct) in the method section of the manuscript.

2) **Please remove the age and gender data from table S3 and table S4 to respect participants’ rights to privacy and to protect their identity. The data can be presented as ranges or percentages instead.**

   Thank you for your suggestion. Now we already remove the age and gender data from table S3 and table S4 to respect participants’ rights. Meanwhile, we present patients’ information as ranges using new format.

Thank you very much for your great time and careful reviewing.

Best regards

Yours sincerely

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